Readings Reader Sun 1 May Paul McGhee Acts 2: 14a, 22 – 32: 1 Peter 1: 3 – 9: (John 20: 19 – 31) Sun 8 May Margaret Grey Acts 2: 14a, 36 – 41; 1 Peter 1: 17 – 23; (Luke 24: 13 - 35) Acts 2: 42 – 47; 1 Peter 2: 19 – 25; Sun 15 May Liz Johnson (John 10: 1 – 10) Sun 22 May Alan Waddell Acts 7: 55 – 60; 1 Peter 2: 2 – 10; (John 14: 1 – 14) Acts 17: 22 - 31: 1 Peter 3: 13 - 22: Sun 29 May Paul McGhee (John 14: 15 – 21) Sun 5 June Margaret Grey Acts 1: 6 – 14; 1 Peter 4: 12 – 14, 5: 6 – 11; (John 17: 1 – 11)

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Prayer for Eastertide

Risen Lord, come and stand among us,
Awaken us to your presence,
Open to us the gate of glory,
Show us the path of life,
Help us to know you are with us now and always,
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Open Gate: David Adam

A Kindergarten teacher was observing her classroom of children while they were drawing. She would occasionally walk around to see each child's work, as she got to one little girl who was working diligently, she asked what the drawing was. The girl replied, "I'm drawing God." The teacher paused and said, "But no one knows what God looks like." without missing a beat, or looking up from her drawing, the girl replied, "They will in a minute."

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Dear Friends,

Spring is one of my favourite times of the year – the stirring of new life that we see in the smallest of flowers – the snowdrops as they fight their way through the winter frosts, especially this year! They are followed by the crocuses and daffodils and the spring blossom. Each year as I watch nature coming out of hibernation I feel that I can almost sense the sunnier, warmer days approaching – as they have this past week or so.

There is something in the human psyche that responds to new life, don't we 'coo' over new babies, puppies, kittens; aren't we are drawn to the 'newness' that gives us a sense of hope, of life, of future. In some ways the resurrection of Jesus chimes in with this response to new life. Just as spring flowers remind us that winter is passing and summer is round the corner, so also Jesus' resurrection points us to the fact that the old order is passing and new creation is just about to happen. While the spring flowers suggest resurrection to us they only do so partly – their new life is cyclical whereas Jesus' is not. Jesus rose to new life and will never die again.

With love and prayers for a joyful Eastertide, Christine

Bishop David and his wife Alison were with us on a very warm and sunny Sunday -10^{th} April.



Hopefully the weather will be equally good when Bobby comes to lead our worship on Sunday 8th May.

May Events

Sat 7 May	Pilgrim Care Training Day on Dementia in St Andrews, for
	information please see Rector
Sat 21 May	Churches Acting Together in Tayport Christian Aid Walk, please look out for posters
Sat 21 May	Diocesan Casting the Net Day in Perth, for information please
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May Services Diary

Every Wednesday	Midday Prayers (15mins) in Church
Sun 1 May 10.30am	2 nd Sunday of Easter – Family Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the hall
Sun 8 May 10.30am	3 rd Sunday of Easter – Family Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the hall - Rev Prof Bobby Sommerville
Sun 15 May 10.30am	4 th Sunday of Easter – Family Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the hall
Sun 22 May 10.30am	5 th Sunday of Easter – Family Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the hall
Sun 29 May 10.30am	6 th Sunday of Easter – Family Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the hall
Thurs 2 June 7.00pm Sun 5 June 10.30am	Ascension Day – Eucharist 7 th Sunday of Easter – family Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the hall

May Rotas

	<u>Reception</u>	<u>Offering</u>
Sun 1 May Sun 8 May Sun 15 May Sun 22 May Sun 29 May Sun 5 June	Christine Barker Janette Turvey Margaret Redpath Alex Cook Christine Barker Janette Turvey	Alex Cook Alex Cook Janette Turvey Margaret Redpath Liz Johnson Margaret Redpath

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